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Walsh College names new CEO

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Marsha Kelliher (left) will succeed Stephanie Bergeron in 2017.

Walsh College has named Marsha Kelliher, dean of the Sigmund Weis School of Business at **Susquehanna University** in Pennsylvania, as its next president and CEO.

Kelliher, 56, will join the university in April, succeeding outgoing president Stephanie Bergeron, who has [led the Troy college since 2007](#) and [announced her retirement](#) last spring.

Since joining Susquehanna University in 2013, Kelliher spearheaded the development of four new majors, led the redesign of the school's London study-abroad program, initiated a women's leadership symposium in New York and led the reaffirmation of the business school's AACSB accreditation.

Prior to that, she held leadership roles over 19 years at **St. Edward's University** in Austin, Texas, including serving as dean of the school of management and business and overseeing graduate and undergraduate business programs.

Under her leadership, six new majors and six new graduate programs were launched and international programs were expanded, leading to global partnerships and several new minor and degree programs at the undergraduate and graduate level.

Kelliher holds a master's of law degree in labor and employment law from the **University of San Diego**, a juris doctor from **South Texas College of Law** and a bachelor's degree in personnel management with a concentration in labor relations in 1982 from **Indiana University** in Bloomington.

She is licensed and has practiced law in Texas and California and was admitted into the **National Academy of Arbitrators** in 2013.